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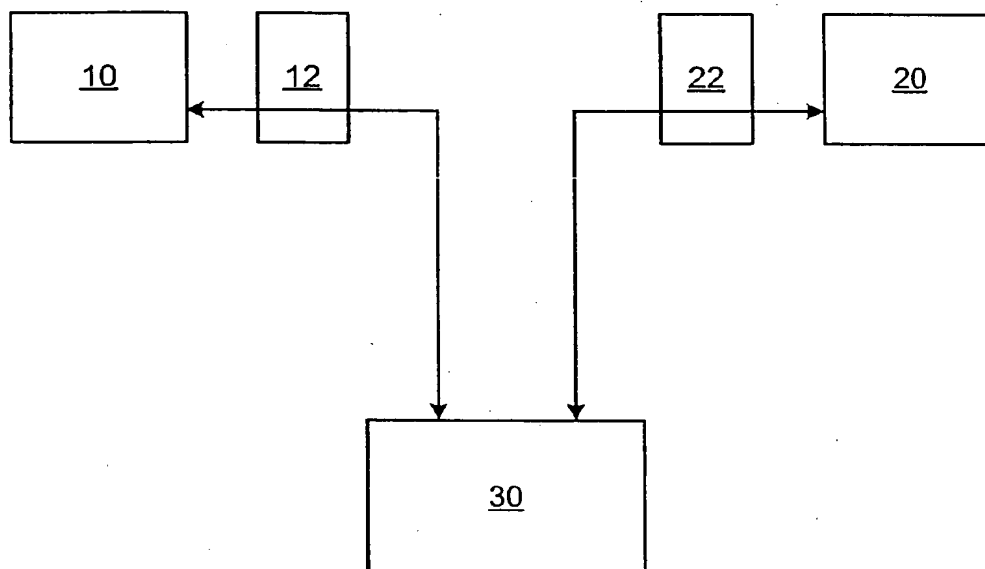
(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to an apparatus and a method for real-time data communication comprising a sending client terminal (10) and at least one receiving client terminal (20), the client terminals being provided with protective means (12, 22), the real-time data communication transmitted via an intermediate distribution server (30). Moreover, the protective means (12, 22) is provided with a network translation unit (not shown) for mapping one internally accessible network destination address with a corresponding externally accessible network destination address. The invention is characterised in that the sending client terminal (10) and the intermediate distribution server (30) are adapted to exchange information between one another about the current mapping of internally and externally accessible destination addresses for the server to reach the receiving client terminal (20) with real-time data communication.

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